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Attorney Docket No.: VMA-09426

First Named Inventor or Application Identifier: Marian E.Clark

Title: ELECTRONIC CONTROL AND METHOD FOR POWER SLIDING VAN DOOR WITH REAR-CENTER-MOUNTED DRIVE

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP 600 concerning utility patent application contents

## 1. [ X ] Fee Transmittal Form

(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)

## 2. [ X ] Specification [Total Pages 53]

(preferred arrangement set forth below)

- Descriptive Title of Invention
- Cross References to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to Microfiche Appendix
- Background of Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claims
- Abstract of the Disclosure

## 3. [ X ] Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 18]

## 4. [ X ] Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]

## a. [ ] Newly executed (original or copy)

## b. [ X ] Copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 16 completed)

i. [ ] **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

## 5. [ ] Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

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## 6. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission

(if applicable, all necessary)

- a. [ ] Computer Readable Copy
- b. [ ] Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
- c. [ ] Statement verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

## 7. [ X ] Assignment Papers (cover sheet &amp; documents)

## 8. [ ] 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement

(when there is an assignee)

## [ ] Power of Attorney

## 9. [ ] English Translation Document (if applicable)

10. [ X ] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  
[ X ] Copies of IDS Citations

## 11. [ ] Preliminary Amendment

12. [X] Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(should be specifically itemized)

## 13. [ ] Small Entity Statement(s)

[ ] Statement filed in prior application. Status still proper and desired.

## 14. [ ] Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)

(if foreign priority is claimed)

15. [ X ] Other: A copy of a Request for a Three-Month Extension of Time for application number 09/426,651.  
  
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Prior application information: Examiner C. Cohen Art Unit 3634

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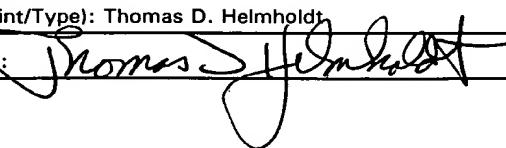
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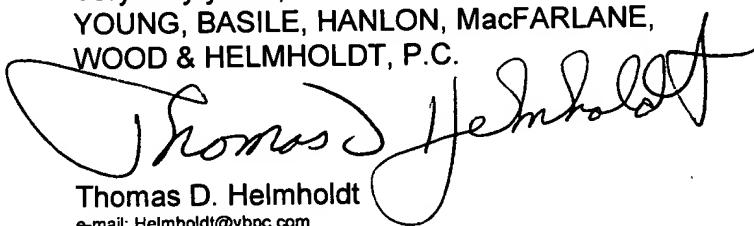
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